





Today's  
Advertisements.

## PUBLIC AUCTION.

THE Undersigned have been instructed by the SENIOR ORDNANCE STORE OFFICER, CHINA, to Sell by  
**PUBLIC AUCTION,**  
TO-MORROW,  
(THURSDAY), the 14th May, 1896,  
AT 11 A.M.  
AT HER MAJESTY'S ORDNANCE STORES,  
Queen's Road East,

THE FOLLOWING  
GOVERNMENT STORES, &c.  
FORAGE WAGON, 3 BOATS JUNCTION,  
TANKS, BOATS, DINGHY, HORSE  
BLANKETS, WATERPROOF SHEETS,  
STEAM GAUGES, GUN METAL, BRASS  
ROPE, LINEN, COTTON, AND WOOLLEN  
RAGS, CANVAS, CAST AND WROUGHT  
IRON, STEEL, OLD SHOT, CHAIN, IRON  
CABLE, KEROSENE LAMPS, CASKS,  
PACKING CASES, IRON DRUMS, TIMBER,  
LEATHER, &c.

Also  
About 200 Yards of CLOTH, SPANISH  
STRIPES (New).

AND A QUANTITY OF  
WORN-OUT CLOTHING.  
TERMS OF SALE—Cash on delivery, in  
Mexican Dollars weighed at 7.5. All faults  
and errors of description at Purchaser's risk on  
the fall of the hammer. All Lots to be cleared  
within 48 hours.

LANE, CRAWFORD & Co.,  
Auctioneers.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [804]

A. S. WATSON & CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the  
ELEVENTH ANNUAL ORDINARY  
GENERAL MEETING of the COMPANY (since  
its Registration) will be held in the BOARD  
ROOM at the HONGKONG DISPENSARY, on  
THURSDAY, the 21st instant, at Twelve  
o'clock NOON, for the Purpose of Receiving the  
Report of the General Manager, together with  
a Statement of Accounts to the 31st December,  
1895.

The REGISTER of SHARES will be  
CLOSED on MONDAY, the 18th instant, till  
SATURDAY, the 23rd instant, both days inclu-  
sive, during which period no TRANSFER of  
SHARES can be registered.

By Order,  
A. H. MANCILL,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [804]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship  
"TAMSUI,"  
Captain Pearce, will be despatched TO-  
MORROW, the 14th instant, at 4 A.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [807]

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR SWATOW, AMOY AND TAIWANFOO.

THE Company's Steamship  
"THALES,"  
Captain Douglas, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on FRIDAY, the 15th instant, at  
Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DOUGLAS LAFAIR & Co.,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [806]

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship  
"HANYANG,"  
Captain F. Schuler, will be despatched for the  
above Port on SATURDAY, the 16th instant,  
at Noon.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
SIEMSEN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [810]

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY,  
LIMITED.

FOR MANILA.

THE Steamship  
"SUNGKIANG,"  
Captain C. B. Dodd, will be despatched  
on MONDAY, the 18th instant, at 4 P.M.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [808]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

FOR LONDON, VIA SUZC CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship  
"ULYSSES,"  
Captain Giler, will be despatched as above on  
SATURDAY, the 23rd instant.  
For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [809]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"JAPAN,"

FROM ANTWERP, LONDON  
AND STRAITS.  
Consignees of Cargo by the above-named  
vessel are hereby informed that their Goods are  
being landed and placed at their risk in the  
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown  
Company's Godown at Kowloon, where each  
consignment will be sorted out mark by mark  
and delivery can be obtained as soon as the  
Goods are landed.

This vessel brings on Cargo—  
From India, 12 S.S. *Ganges*.  
From Madras, 12 S.S. *Siam*.  
Optional Goods will be landed here unless  
instructions are given to the contrary before 10  
A.M. TO-MORROW, the 14th instant.  
Goods not cleared by the 20th instant at 4 P.M.  
will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by me in  
any case whatever.  
All damaged Packages must be left in the  
Godown and notices of claims given to the Under-  
signed on or before the 22nd instant, after which  
no Claims will be recognized.

H. A. RITCHIE,  
Superintendent.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [831]

TO LET.

WELLING HOUSES—  
HOUSES IN RIFON TERRACE,  
FIRST FLOOR, No. 4, BLUE  
BUILDINGS.

Apply to  
THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT  
& AGENCY CO., Ltd.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896.

## Intimations.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK &  
COMPANY, LIMITED,  
VICTORIA DISPENSARY,  
HONGKONG.

## AERATED WATERS.

## SIMPLE AERATED WATER.

## SODA WATER.

## LEMONADE.

## GINGER ALE.

## SARSAPARILLA.

## RASPBERRYVADE, &amp;c.

DAKIN, CRUICKSHANK & Co.'s WATERS are  
made under the constant supervision of a duly  
qualified English Chemist and will bear com-  
parison with the best English Manufactures.

Special terms to HOTELS, CLUBS, MENSES and  
other Large Consumers.  
Any complaints should be addressed to the  
Manager.  
Hongkong, 3rd May, 1896. [427]



A. S. WATSON & CO.,  
LIMITED.

ESTABLISHED A.D. 1841.

WINES  
AND  
SPIRITS.

ALL these are selected by our London House,  
bought direct at first hand, imported in wood  
and bottled by ourselves, thus saving all inter-  
mediate profits, and enabling us to supply the  
best growths at MODERATE PRICES.

## PRICE LISTS.

with Full Details, to be had on Application.  
PORT after removal should be rested a month  
before use. When required for drinking at  
once it should be ordered to be decanted at  
the Dispensary before being sent out.

SHERRY.—Excellent Dinner and After Dinner  
Wines of very superior Vintages. All are  
true Xeres Wines.

CLARET.—Our Claret, including the lowest  
priced, are guaranteed to be the genuine  
product of the juice of the grape and are not  
artificially made from raisins and currents  
as is generally the case with Cheap Wines.

BRANDY.—All our Brandy is guaranteed to be  
pure Cognac, the difference in price being  
merely a question of age and vintage.

WHISKY.—All our Whisky is of excellent  
quality and of greater age than most brands  
in the market. The SCOTCH WHISKY  
marked "E" is universally popular, and is  
pronounced by the best local connoisseurs  
to be superior to any other brand in the  
Hongkong market.

We only guarantee our WINES and SPIRITS  
to be genuine when bought direct from us in  
the Colony or from our authorized Agents at the  
Coast Ports.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LD.  
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY.  
Wongkwa, 10th January, 1896.

BIRTH.  
At the Eastern and Oriental Hotel, Penang,  
on the 1st inst., the wife of H. A. HEARD, of a  
son.

## The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MAY 13, 1896.

## TELEGRAMS.

## REUTER'S MESSAGES.

## INDIAN TROOPS FOR THE SOUDAN.

LONDON, May 12th.

Two regiments of Indian infantry, a body of  
cavalry, and a battery of artillery have been  
ordered to Sudan to replace the Egyptian  
garrison, which will be moved across the Desert  
to the Nile.

## THE ITALIANS IN AFRICA.

The Italians have decided to evacuate Adigat.

(From Japanese Papers.)

## AN ITALIAN VISITOR.

NAGASAKI, May 3rd.

M. C. Rudini, son of the Premier of Italy, has  
arrived at Shanghai. Mr. Rudini has held official  
positions in the Italian Legations at Abyssinia,  
America, Japan, and China. The object of his  
present visit to the Far East is to study the  
effects of the late war.

## RETURN OF MR. KOMURA.

CHENMULPO, May 3rd.

Mr. Komura, the Japanese Minister Plenipo-  
tentiary at Seoul, is to leave for Tokyo about the  
15th inst.

MORE POLITICAL CHANGES EXPECTED  
IN KOREA.

CHENMULPO, May 3rd.

The present Cabinet seems as unstable as its  
predecessors, and further changes are shortly  
expected.

SEOUL, May 4th.

The Home Minister has tendered his resigna-  
tion.

## IMPERIAL MINES.

TOKYO, May 4th.  
It has been decided to sell the Imperial gold  
mine at Sado and the Imperial silver mine at  
Ikano, together with the metallic tempering  
factory at Onaka.

## THE TOKIO WATERWORKS SCANDAL.

TOKYO, May 4th.

Six workmen who were in the employ of the  
Cast Iron Company at the time the frauds were  
committed, and who have since been under  
arrest, were to-day admitted to bail.

THE SEOUL-GENSAN TELEGRAPH  
WIRE.

TOKYO, May 4th.

As there is no urgent necessity for the  
telegraph between Seoul and Gensan, the wire  
destroyed by the rioters will not be repaired until  
a more favourable opportunity occurs.

## IMPROVEMENTS AT VLADIVOSTOK.

TOKYO, May 4th.

It is reported here that a large pier and wharf  
are to be constructed at Vladivostok, with a  
capital of 600,000 yen.

THE JAPANESE TROOPS IN  
KOREA.

TOKYO, May 4th.

It is rumoured here that the relief for the  
Japanese forces in Korea will be postponed pending  
certain diplomatic arrangements.

## WATERWORKS FOR HIROSHIMA.

HIROSHIMA, May 4th.

Permit has been granted to construct  
waterworks at Hiroshima, and to raise bonds  
therefor.

## THE RICE MARKET.

TOKYO, May 4th.

Prices in the rice market to-day rose consider-  
ably.

## TYPHOON WARNING.

Senior José de Navarro, Spanish Consul at  
this port, has concisely favoured us with a  
copy of the following telegram, received from  
Manila:

"BINGONDO, May 13th.

"The typhoon is to the N.W. of Manila,  
trending towards the north. It is probably  
recurring."

## LOCAL AND GENERAL.

HARMISTON'S Circus opened at Penang on the  
12th inst.

THE Tientsin season is an unusually late one  
this year.

CHIEF JUSTICE and Mrs. Carrington and Miss  
Carrington arrived to-day from London by the  
*Japan*.

The annual general meeting of Messrs A. S.  
Watson & Co., Ltd., will be held at noon of the  
23rd inst.

THE Parson upon whom a Singapore magistrate  
lately passed very severe sentences after a fire  
inquiry has instituted a libel suit against his  
Worship.

OWING to the inclement weather an abnormal  
number of cases of sickness are reported in  
Nagasaki. All the beds in the local hospital are  
reported to be full.

THERE were nine cases of plague to-day—one  
in the city, one in the Harbour, five in Kowloon,  
and one each brought from Bangkok and  
Singapore, by the *Oscarthal* and *Taita* respec-  
tively.

COMDR. HASTINGS this morning fined several  
landlords \$15 each for allowing their basements  
to be occupied without leave from the Sanitary  
Board. Some of the offenders claimed that the  
occupation was without their knowledge.

In the cross appeal from the decision of the  
Yokohama Court in the *Iti-W. H. May* suit,  
the Court at Shanghai has sustained the judg-  
ment of the lower Court.

THE P. & T. Times reports that the Tia, 15,000  
issued by the Tientsin Municipal Council, on  
account of D. Loan sanctioned by the Land-  
renters in January last, was applied for four  
times over.

THE *Chiefs Express* is about to waken up from  
its long winter's sleep and reappear as a weekly  
newspaper. So many visitors to Chiao-chow during  
the summer months should, thinks our Tientsin  
contemporary, supply news "galore" and make  
the editing of a weekly edition an easy matter.  
The editor purposes enlarging the edition should  
sufficient assistance be offered.

## THE CAMPHOR QUESTION.

The application submitted by Messrs Shiba-  
sawa Eichi, Yokoyama Magotchiro, and  
several other well-known capitalists of Tokio  
and Osaka for monopoly of the camphor  
manufacture in Formosa has been rejected. The  
Governor-General being of opinion that the  
camphor question in Formosa requires the most  
careful consideration and does not admit of any  
hasty decision. As to the complaint raised by  
certain foreign camphor manufacturers in For-  
mosa of alleged injustice on the part of the  
Japanese authorities, the *Nichi Nichi* and other  
Tokyo papers entirely contradict the statements  
appearing in the *Hongkong Daily Press*. The  
venue papers say that the Camphor Control  
Regulations, against which these complaints  
have been raised, were issued in December  
and were enforced three months afterwards.  
The regulations being chiefly directed against  
indiscriminate and surreptitious selling of  
camphor trees did not affect any foreign or  
native merchants who, either in virtue of a  
special licence from the Chinese Government, or  
in consideration of a certificate of payment of  
the required duties, still could continue their  
business. All these manufacturers were regarded  
as enjoying a prescriptive right, and were allowed  
to carry on their business as freely as before.  
Many cases of abuse had arisen, due to the lax  
administration of the previous rulers of the island,  
through which certain foreigners by bribing  
Chinese officials were allowed to carry on the  
manufacture of camphor side by side with the  
legally licensed men. The complaint against  
the regulations have been solely raised by these  
unlicensed manufacturers.—*Japan Mail*.

## MEMORANDA.

TO-MORROW, 14th May.

Auction of Government stores, &c.,  
at Her Majesty's Ordnance Stores, Queen's  
Road East, by Messrs Lane, Crawford &  
Co.

SATURDAY, 16th May.

Meeting of Penmanship Lodge.

SUNDAY, 17th May.

Daylight—*Olympic* leaves for Victoria, B.C.,  
and Tacoma, via usual route of ship.

The number of foreign athletes who entered  
for competition in the Olympic games was 199,  
of whom twenty-three were English, eighteen  
French, forty-two Germans, six Swedes, seven  
Italians, five Danes, twenty-one Americans, and  
one Australian.

On the afternoon of April 25th a disastrous fire  
took place at Haseo, Yamagata Prefecture, and  
about 50 houses were destroyed. The Saiyaji  
temple, which is noted in that part of the  
Empire, was consumed, together with all the  
relics preserved there.

The forthcoming Tientsin Race Meeting "tips  
the beam" and breaks all records for numbers  
of ponies, stables and amount of entrance fees,  
arguing well for the Race Club under the  
new regime. With fine weather, the Spring  
Meeting of 1896 should, says the local paper,  
give us three such days' sport as to satisfy the  
most craving.

## SWATOW NOTES.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

SWATOW, 12th May, 1896.

There is little or nothing going on in this  
small port which is worthy of note by your  
readers. Although the number of steamers  
visiting us seem to be on the increase, business  
on the whole is very dull and "coolies" seem to  
be the principal export at present. Competition  
in this line is growing keener, but I fancy  
nothing will turn the finger before long.

We have been favoured with several visits  
from men-of-war during the last few months,  
including the *Albatross*, with the British Admiral  
on board, but they only make a short stay and  
away they go, for now the gales and ducks have  
taken their flight northward. Swatow offers no  
attractions for them. On the last visit of our  
old friends the "Pigmies," we managed to  
make up a team to meet them at the noble  
game of cricket, and beat them, too, thanks to  
our "Hakka" veterans.

We have lost our British Consul, Mr. F. F.  
Hauser, who went home on well-earned leave  
by the *Glendalough*, with his family. His place  
has been taken by Mr. H. E. Fulford, just  
returned from a visit to the old country. His  
coming swells the list of bachelors,  
which will be increased when his assistant  
Mr. Wilton arrives. The work of the Consulate  
was carried on by Mr. Hauser unaided for  
several months, and there is no doubt it is more  
than one man can do satisfactorily.

The plague year just past shows no signs  
of abating and it was more than we could  
expect to escape a visit of this dread  
disease. Although it was rather severe in  
one of the towns up river a month ago,  
it has only showed itself here lately and there-  
have been so far some dozen cases. Our only  
shoemaker has fallen a victim to it. The  
paternal Singapore Government has now declared us  
"infected with bubonic plague," and a  
notification issued by the British Consul on the  
7th inst., and arrivals in the Straits from this port  
receive the same treatment that yours do. It  
hoped that when the heat and summer weather  
sets in it will die out as it did last year. The  
weather so far has all been in its favour, very  
changeable with rain and wind. Several  
"bursts" of the N.E. monsoon have come down  
upon us lately, which though pleasant enough,  
bringing cool weather in their train, are still  
very unreasonable. One of these sudden bursts  
came down last evening, following a very hot  
oppressive day, and quickly raised a high sea,  
during which a junk laden with produce for  
river forward of the Custom House City. Her  
crew raised her at low water this morning, but  
her cargo, principally flour, valued at close on  
\$1,000, is a dead loss to the owners of it. The  
usual tropical rain seems to be late in coming  
this year.

Thanks to the energy of our new Harbour  
Master we are going to have the wild excitement  
of sailing races on the 21st inst., and it is  
to be hoped he will be rewarded with a "good  
cup full of wind" on that day.

Mrs. Innocent and family returned to us on  
Sunday by the *Taita*, and our population has  
been further increased by a "bouncing baby  
boy." Father doing well!

GENERAL CHAMBER OF  
COMMERCE.

ANNUAL MEETING.

The annual general meeting of the members  
of the General Chamber of Commerce was held  
in the Senate Chamber, City Hall, at 2 o'clock  
afternoon. Mr. A. McCoskie presided, and  
there were also present Hon. T. H. Whitehead,  
Messrs T. Jackson, N. A. Selts, N. J. Ede, St. C.  
Michaelson, G. B. Dodwell, H. Smith (Committee),  
G. W. Playfair, J. J. Francis, Q. C. R. Inglis,  
H. N. Mody, G. Sharp, Hon. E. R. Bellis, C.M.G.,  
R. E. Gubbe, Hart Buck, E. Osborne, J. D.  
Hutchinson, Ho Fook, G. L. Tomlin, Hon. C. P.  
Chater, W. K. Loxley, T. Arnold, E. S. Hooper,  
R. H. Thompson, G. Sharp, A. Ross, J. H.  
Garnier, H. Wicking, R. E. Saxon, R. C.  
Wilcox (Secretary) and many others.

The Chairman proposed that the minutes of  
the last meeting be confirmed.

Agreed to.

## THE CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH.

The Chairman said:—Gentlemen, if the  
year covered by the report now laid before you  
has been rather less eventful than some of its  
predecessors, there have been several important  
questions which during its course have claimed  
and receive our attention. We cannot boast,  
perhaps, of having actually secured any impor-  
tant commercial concessions in China; but at  
least we have managed to get some matters  
advanced a stage. If we have not been in the  
best of luck in our endeavours to secure a  
least sought to secure it. The past year has  
seen a considerable revival in trade and a very  
great improvement in local stocks and under-  
takings, which gives promise of permanency.  
In 1895 we escaped visitation by the bubonic  
plague in epidemic form, and began to hope  
that the disease had been in some measure  
brought under control, but its recurrence this  
spring has reimposed upon Hongkong the evils  
inseparable from being treated as an infected  
port. It is to be hoped, however, that the  
disease will soon pass away, and such measures  
of sanitation taken in the city of Victoria as  
will effectively prevent its reappearance. It is  
of the utmost importance to the progress and  
welfare of the colony that the port shall not  
be kept free from epidemics which not only ex-  
haust the health of the population but tend  
to cripple its trade and impair its prosperity.  
Turning to the questions dealt with in the report,  
I will not detain you by referring to them all,  
and will pass over those to which nothing new  
of interest can at present be added. I under-  
stand as regards the Gap Rock signalling that  
as a matter of fact two guns have been mounted  
at the rock, and from the 1st January last one  
has been fired during foggy weather every  
ten minutes, and the result has been most  
satisfactorily reported on by shipmasters. In con-  
sideration of the requirements of the light-  
house, it can only be hoped that some sound opinion  
will be obtained, and I trust it may yet be found that  
such a costly work is not necessary. The  
committee pointed out by Messrs. Gibb, Living-  
ston & Co. in the Trade Mark Ordinances has  
been recommended by the pending in August  
last by the Legislative Council of an Act to  
amend the Trade Mark Ordinances.

1893 and 8 of 1896. You will notice that your  
Committee has continued agitating in the matter  
of the proposed enforced use of the official  
Telegraph Code vocabulary and it is to be  
hoped that some solution satisfactory to all  
parties will be arrived at by the Convention  
fixed to meet during the current year. Closely  
connected with this subject is the cost of  
telegrams and you will observe that the present  
high rates, not only between this colony, India,  
and Europe, but also locally with Japan and  
Australia, have formed the subject of considerable  
conferences, with the result that the tariff on  
local traffic has been reconsidered, and the rates  
to countries south of the colony will be reduced  
at once and hopes are held out that a modifica-  
tion of those between here and Japan may also  
shortly follow. The community generally are  
most indebted to the Acting Agent here and the  
directors in Paris of the Messageries Maritimes  
for the prompt and courteous consideration  
given to the opinion of the Chamber's agitation  
of the French mail from noon to ten  
o'clock a.m. This practically involved closing  
our mails the previous night, and was most  
inconvenient. Turning to an old and much  
worn question—I may call it a time-honoured  
grievance—that of official obstruction to transit  
passes in South China, I am glad to say that  
we have at least advanced a point. We have,  
through the action of the officials at Wuchow-  
this spring in the case of Mr. John Andrew,  
obtained incontrovertible proof of the manner in  
which the transit passes are set at naught in  
South China. Hitherto, while the fact of official  
hostility to this privilege was notorious, it had  
been difficult to furnish proof; but the conduct of  
the Prefect of Wuchow in refusing to re-assure  
the native merchants by issuing a proclamation  
sanctioning the purchase of Mr. Andrew's cargo,  
and when at length compelled to issue such  
proclamation, rendering it nugatory by stating  
that the duty would be levied on the goods, and  
their transference to the buyers of the goods, in-  
stead of to the transit pass holders, was a con-  
vincing evidence of their determination to render the  
pass a dead letter. The Acting British Consul  
Canton took up the case vigorously, and this  
Chamber, on becoming acquainted with the  
facts, pressed the matter on the attention of the  
Foreign Minister and of H.B.M.'s Charge  
d'Affaires at Peking, both by telegram and by  
letter, with the result that careful consideration  
has been promised, and we are assured that "Her  
Majesty's Government are pressing the Chinese  
Government to carry out the spirit of their  
treaty obligations in regard to the transit pass in  
the Chinese ports." With this assurance from Lord  
Salisbury, we must for the present rest satisfied.  
Within the last few days, as you are aware, a  
statement has been telegraphed out by Reuters  
to the effect that after the objection of the  
Czar His Excellency Li Hung-chang intends  
visiting the Courts of the various treaty ports  
partly with a view of obtaining an increase of  
from five to eight per cent. *ad valorem* of the  
import duties levied on foreign goods at the  
treaty ports of China. Now, gentlemen, this will  
surely you will agree with me that this will raise  
a very important question. I think that before  
proceeding any further, we should want some very  
sufficient guarantee that this stipulation would  
be observed. Can this guarantee be obtained?  
I feel sure this important matter will receive the  
careful attention of your new Committee.  
Another question somewhat closely associated  
with the foregoing is the much agitated proposal  
for the opening of the West River. The  
Chamber has during the past year continued  
to carefully raise this important question, and  
if we are to credit the published statements in  
London papers, the Chinese Government has  
declared its intention to open the river to the  
navigation of the principle, but the negotia-  
tions now proceeding are to settle the  
ports and places to be opened to trade. I trust  
that Her Majesty's Government will not rest  
satisfied with the mere opening of the so-called  
West River only, but will ask the Chinese  
Government to include the North River also  
in the inland waters of South China to be  
opened to foreign trade and steam navigation.  
The negotiations in London are in good hands.  
Mr. Carson, the Under Secretary for Foreign  
Affairs, who has undertaken the conduct of the  
negotiations, is a thoroughly posted in East Asian  
questions, and he has the China Association  
to appeal to in any matters of detail.  
Let us hope that we shall see this  
privilege accorded before the close of the  
current year. The preferential duties granted  
on junk-carried cargoes has again been brought  
to the attention of the Foreign Office, but little  
progress has been made with this question. It  
is to be hoped that it may be included in







## Intimations.

OLIVERS FRIEHLAND MINES, LIMITED.

A N ISSUE OF B SHARES is offered to the Registered Shareholders of the above Company in the proportion of one B Share for every Share they hold. Every Shareholder on the Register on THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, will be entitled to an allotment of one B Share for every Share, whether A or B, registered to his name. All applications must be made on forms for the purpose, which may be obtained at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on and after the 23rd instant, and must be filled up and lodged with that Bank on or before THURSDAY, the 7th May next, together with a sum of ONE DOLLAR for every Share applied for as a first instalment. A Receipt will be given, which must be forwarded to the COMPANY in charge for Scrip. No further call will be payable in respect of these Shares without a least two months' notice. The SHARE REGISTER will be CLOSED from THURSDAY, the 23rd instant, to THURSDAY, the 7th day of May following, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be Registered.

JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,  
General Managers.  
Hongkong, 13th April, 1896. [58]

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF  
CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

A N INTERIM BONUS OF TWENTY PER CENT upon CONTRIBUTIONS for the year 1895 has been DECLARED. WARRANTS will be issued on the 30th instant.

By Order of the Board,  
N. J. EDE,  
Secretary.  
Hongkong, 20th April, 1896. [73]

PETER DAWSON'S SCOTCH WHISKY.  
THE WELL-KNOWN BRAND.  
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Hongkong, 1st May, 1896. [75]

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Hongkong Telegraph Office.  
Hongkong, 9th April, 1896. [64]

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HONGKONG. [15]

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FROM MIDDLESBORO, LONDON AND  
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THE Steamship  
"GLENOGLE,"  
having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees  
of Cargo by her are hereby informed that their  
Goods are being landed at their risk into the  
Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf  
and Godown Company, Limited, at Kowloon,  
whence delivery may be obtained.  
Optional Cargo will be forwarded unless notice  
to the contrary be given, before 2 P.M. TO-  
DAY.

Cargo remaining undelivered after the 14th  
instant will be re-landed to rent.  
No Fire Insurance has been effected.  
Consignees are requested to present all Claims  
for damages and/or shortages not later than  
the 21st instant, otherwise they will not be  
recognised.  
All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to  
be left in the Godowns, where they will be  
examined on the 19th instant, at 11 A.M.  
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by  
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 7th May, 1896. [786]

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.  
EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAM-  
SHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.  
(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND  
Ports, and taking through Cargo to  
ADELAIDE, NEW ZEALAND,  
TANZANIA, &c.)

THE Steamship  
"MENMUIR,"  
Captain Craig, will be despatched for the above  
Ports on SUNDAY, the 17th instant, at  
Daylight.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for  
Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber  
which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions  
throughout the voyage.  
A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon  
are carried.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [785]

"BEN" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR NEW YORK, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Steamship  
"BENALDER,"  
Captain Thomson, will be despatched as above  
on or about the 25th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1896. [774]

JAVA, CHINA JAPAN LINE OF  
STEAMERS.

UNDER MANAGEMENT OF THE  
ROYAL PACKET NAVIGATION COMPANY  
OF NETHERLANDS INDIA.

PROPOSED SAILINGS.  
(Subject to Alterations.)  
JAVA, HONGKONG, YOKOHAMA, KOBE,  
AMOI, HONGKONG, SINGAPORE,  
JAVA.

FROM HONGKONG.

S.S. *Federatien* ... To JAVA ... [May].  
S.S. *Germania* ... To JAVA ... [June].  
S.S. *Castell* ... To JAVA ... [July].  
S.S. *Germania* ... To JAPAN ... [May].  
S.S. *Castell* ... To JAPAN ... [June].  
S.S. *Federatien* ... To JAPAN ... [July].

General Agents for China & Japan,  
LAUTS, WEGENER & Co.  
Hongkong, 5th May, 1896. [197]

## Shipping.

STEAMERS.

"SHELL" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR LONDON AND HAMBURG.  
THE Company's Steamship

"COWRIE,"  
Captain Parsons, will be despatched as above  
TO-MORROW, the 14th instant.

For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1896. [683]

OREGON RAILWAY AND NAVI-  
GATION COMPANY'S PACIFIC  
STEAMSHIP LINE.

CHINA AND JAPAN.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG, 1896.  
(Subject to Alterations.)

Aloua ... [Friday] ... [10th May].  
TAKING PASSENGERS AND CARGO FOR UNITED  
STATES AND CANADA AT THROUGH RATES.

THE Steamship  
"ASLOUN,"

will be despatched hence for HONOLULU,  
VICTORIA, B.C., and PORTLAND, OREGON,  
via KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on FRIDAY,  
the 15th May.  
Consular Invoices of Goods for United States  
Ports should be in QUADRUPPLICATE, and one  
Copy must be sent forward by the Steamer to  
the care of the GENERAL FREIGHT AGENT,  
Oregon Railway and Navigation Co., Portland,  
Oregon.

For further information as to Passage and  
Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th May, 1896. [773]

OCEAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY.  
FOR LONDON, VIA SUEZ CANAL.

THE Company's Steamship  
"SARPEDON,"

Capitaine Jackson, will be despatched as above  
on SATURDAY, the 16th instant.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 4th May, 1896. [770]

"SHIRE" LINE OF STEAMERS.  
FOR NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA.

THE Steamship  
"CARMARTHENSIRE,"

Shackel, Commander, will be despatched for the  
above Ports on THURSDAY, the 21st instant,  
at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th May, 1896. [800]

"RICKMERS" REGULAR LINE OF  
STEAMERS.  
FOR ANTWERP, BREMEN AND  
HAMBURG.

(Taking Cargo at through rates to RED SEA  
PORTS, MEDITERRANEAN and BLACK  
SEA PORTS.)

THE Company's Steamship  
"DEIKE RICKMERS,"

Capitaine Seigel, will be despatched as above on  
THURSDAY, the 21st instant.

For Freight, apply to  
ARNHOLD, KARBURG & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 8th May, 1896. [791]

SAILING VESSELS.  
FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE 100 A. L. British Ship  
"QUEEN ELIZABETH,"

Fulton, Master, will load here for the above Port,  
and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
SHEWAN & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 12th February, 1896. [135]

FOR NEW YORK.  
THE "100 A. L. American Ship

"T. F. OAKS,"

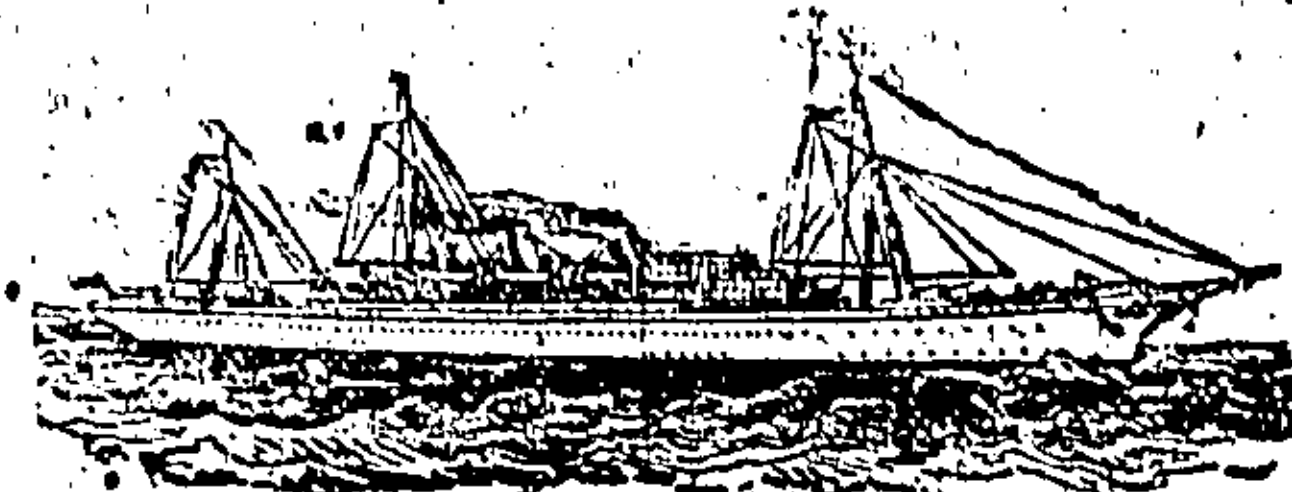
E. W. Reed, Master, will load here for the above  
Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to  
CARLOWITZ & Co.,  
Agents.  
Hongkong, 2nd May, 1896. [794]

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Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse Power—Speed 19 knots.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

EMPRESS OF JAPAN...Comdr. G. A. Lee, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 20th May.  
EMPRESS OF CHINA...Comdr. R. Archibald, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 10th June.  
EMPRESS OF INDIA...Comdr. H. Pybus, R.N.R....WEDNESDAY, 1st July.

THE magnificent Steamships of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF  
JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA TO VANCOUVER (B.C.) in 12  
DAYS, making close connection at Vancouver with the PACIFIC TRANS-CONTINENTAL  
TRAINS OF THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY leaving there daily, and cross the Continent  
FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE. Close connection is  
made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which  
passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.  
Passengers Booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return  
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SPECIAL RATES (First-class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military,  
Diplomatic and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan  
Governments.

CIRCULAR PACIFIC TICKETS Hongkong to Vancouver, Vancouver to Sydney Australia,  
via Honolulu, and Sydney to Hongkong via Brisbane and Torres Straits, Good for 9 months,  
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The attractive features of this Company's route, embraces its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS,  
(second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE OF ITS TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS  
(the Company having received the highest award for same at recent Chicago World's Exhibition)  
and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the  
Line passes.

THE DINING CARS AND MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by  
the Company, and their appointments and Cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guide Books, Rates of Passage, &c., apply to  
D. E. BROWN, General Agent,  
Pedder's Street. [5]

HONGKONG, 29th April, 1896.

OCCIDENTAL & ORIENTAL  
STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO  
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,  
MEXICO,  
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND  
EUROPE.

THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS  
AND  
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING  
STEAMERS.

VIA INLAND SEA OF JAPAN AND  
HONOLULU.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

Gaile (via Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea,  
Yokohama & Hon-  
lulu) ... Saturday, 10th May,  
at Noon.

Dorke (via Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea,  
Yokohama & Hon-  
lulu) ... Tuesday, 16th June,  
at Noon.

Saige (via Nagasaki,  
Kobe, Inland Sea,  
Yokohama & Hon-  
lulu) ... Saturday, 4th July,  
at Noon.

THE Company's Steamship  
"GAELIC,"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via  
NAGASAKI, KOBE, INLAND SEA, YOKO-  
HAMA AND HONOLULU, on SATURDAY,  
the 30th May, 1896, at Noon. Connection  
being made at Yokohama with Steamers from  
Shanghai.

Summers of this line pass through the IN-  
LAND SEA OF JAPAN, and call at Honolulu  
and passengers are allowed to break their  
journey at any point en route.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,  
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of Steamers, and to the principal cities of the  
United States or Canada. Rates, and particu-  
lars of the various Routes may be obtained  
upon application.

Special rates (First-class only) are granted to  
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,  
Diplomatic and Civil Services, to European  
Officials in service of China and Japan, and to  
Government officials and their families.

Passengers who have paid full fare, re-emphas-  
ing at San Francisco for China or Japan (or vice  
versa), within one year, will be allowed a dis-  
count of 10 per cent. This allowance does not  
apply to through fares for China and Japan  
to Europe.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to  
address in full; and same will be received at  
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day  
previous to sailing.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo des-  
tined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the  
United States, should be sent to the Company's  
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,  
San Francisco.

For further information as to Freight or  
Passage, apply to the Agency of the Company,  
No. 7, Praya Central.

J. S. VAN BUREN, Agent.  
Hongkong, 13th May, 1896. [6]

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AVOID ALL RISK OF OUTBREAK BY  
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to the PACIFIC COAST and to the INTERIOR and  
EASTERN Cities of the UNITED STATES and  
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Excellent accommodation. First-class Table.  
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of the ROCKY and CASCADE MOUNTAINS. The  
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gers to EUROPE may proceed by one of the first  
class ATLANTIC MAIL Lines.

HONGKONG TO TACOMA \$225.  
Rates of Passage to other points on application.  
Special rates allowed to members of Govern-  
ment Services.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM  
HONGKONG.  
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.)

Olympia ... [2,608] Saturday ... [May 17].  
Bramar ... [3,601] Friday ... [June 5].

Tacoma ... [2,540] Tuesday ... [June 23].  
Victoria ... [3,167] Saturday ... [July 11].

Olympia ... [2,608] Wednesday [July 29].  
Bramar ... [3,601] Sunday ... [Aug. 16].

THE Steamship  
"OLYMPIA,"

Captain J. Truebridge, sailing at Daylight, on  
SUNDAY, the 17th May, will proceed to  
VICTORIA, B.C., and TACOMA, Wash., via  
SHANGHAI, KOBE and YOKOHAMA.

Through Bills of Lading issued to Japan,  
Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian and  
United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States  
Ports should be in quadruplicate; and one  
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to  
the care of the Freight Agent, Northern Pacific  
Railroad, Tacoma, Wash.

Parcels must be sent to our Office (with address  
marked in full) by 5 P.M., on the day previous to  
sailing.

For further information as to Passage or  
Freight, apply to  
DODWELL, CARLILL & Co.,  
General Agents.  
Hongkong, 9th May, 1896. [4]

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL